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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Fumitaka ARAI, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/648,510

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EXAMINER:

FOR: NONVOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE INCLUDING IMPROVED GATE ELECTRODE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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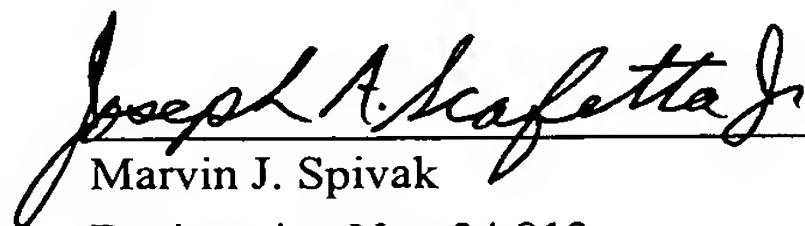
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

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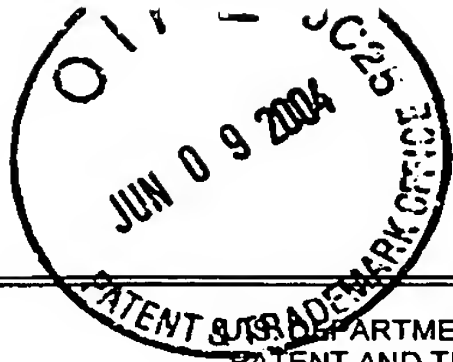
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	AB	6,403,494	06/11/2002	W-T. CHU, et al.			
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

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